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Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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APPLICANT: Heinfried Hoffmann, et al. DOCKET NO.: P04,0153  
SERIAL NO.: 10/840,114 GROUP ART UNIT: 2857  
FILING DATE: May 6, 2004 CONFIRMATION NO.: 7271  
INVENTION: "METHOD AND DEVICE TO TEST THE OPERATION SAFETY OF  
A PROCESS CONTROL DEVICE "

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SIR:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Patent Application dated September 7, 2004, Applicant submits herewith the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney form for the above-identified application. The present application was filed under attorney signature. The Declaration has now been signed and is enclosed herewith.

Also enclosed is a copy of the Notice and a check in the amount of \$130.00 for the surcharge. The Commissioner is authorized to deduct any additional fees or credit any surpluses to deposit account 501519.

Respectfully submitted,

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EXAMINER:

DOCKET NO.: P04,0153

For: METHOD AND DEVICE TO TEST THE OPERATION SAFETY OF A PROCESS CONTROL DEVICE

**AMENDMENT "A"**Mail Stop Amendment  
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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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Application amended to contain any multiple dependent claims not previously paid for.				( ) YES ( ) NO	( ) \$150.00 ( ) \$300.00 ONE TIME	
				TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT		\$0.00

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- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment to account No. 501519. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.
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